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MINISTER MILES'S

MINISTERS CONDEMY DR. MORGAN'S ACT.

Leaders of the Church Militant Think Plagrarism a Great Offence,

Dr. Collyer Praises the Real Author of the Now Famous Setmom, and Says He Was Not Pouring

WHAT WILL TE THE PUNISHMENT?

Present Vestry of the Church of the Heavenly Rest No: Likely to Take Action-Other Ministers May Make Charges.

In view of the publicity that has been given to the plagiarism of the Rev. Dr. D. Parker Morgan, there was a great deal of talk in church circles yesterday about what may be done to punish him. Before the church acts steps must first be taken by the vestry, the members of which are all very friendly to Dr. Morgan. He is given the credit for lifting a debt of \$180,000 against the church, to do which he raised \$80,000 in one year. This endeared him to his congregation, and he is looked upon with favor als because of the nature of his sermons.

He has many personal friends among the parishioners, and the opinion was expressed, in political pariance, yesterday, that he will be saved by his "pull." This, however, refers only to his congregation, and even if his vestry decide to take no action, he would still be in danger of being disciplined by the church authorities. MINISTERS MAY COMPLAIN.

As the matter stands, it could only be brought to the attention of Bishop Potter by three Episcopai ministers of the diocesa. making a complaint. There is nothing in the church rules providing punishment for plaglarism, but it is argue dthat the offence comes under the heading of "conduct unbecoming to a minister," and that if the charges were properly made there would be a very interesting trial. Bishop Potter ould, of course, take cognizance of the affair himself, or he may not do so, if he sees fit, unless charges are filed.

Dr. John C. Jay, the senior vestryman of Dr. Morgan's church, said yesterday that from his conversation with parishieners he thought nothing would be done.

"We all like Dr. Morgan," he said, "and although we may not sanction his preaching another's sermon, we are ready to overlook the offence. I am quite sure that the vestry will support him, and the congregation can do nothing, even if it should so desire, until the election of a new vestry a year from now.

"My own opinion is that Dr. Morgan did not copy the sermon consciously, but that he had read it several times, and, as he has a very retentive memory, he nnousclously used nearly the same language. He should not have done so, perhaps, but he has admitted his error, and the matter should rest there.

WANT PLAGIARISM PUNISHED.

unpunished are criticised in some quarters on the ground that college students are suspended and even expelled when found guilty of plagfarism. It is argued that it is certainly worse for a minister to commit the same offence.

Dr. Morgan was not at his home yesterday, and it was stated that he has gone to the country for a rest. His fatigue, It was recalled, was his excuse for preaching another's sermon. He had arranged to have his pulpit filled by another minister next Sunday, but on account of recent developments he will appear himself.

Dr. Lee, of Newark, who has leaped into fame because of having called attention to Dr. Morgan's plagfarism, said yesterday REV. DR. LY MAN ABBOTT, PLYthat he had received a number of anony-that he had received a number of anony-mouth Church, Brooklyn: I am averse just now to discussing the attitude in which Dr.

"One of the letters was signed 'A Clergy man,' and another stated that the writer had been talking with a clergyman who periticised me," said Mr. Lee, "I have naturally concluded that these two minis-

REV. ROBERT COLLYER, PASTOR the Unitarian Church of the Messial It is a common practice for some ministers to use sermons written by others, or to use discourses which have been polished up by other ministers. My attention has been repeatedly called to published sermons of mine which were preached after their publi-cation by others. I will not specify any instances, because have stream matters with Christian tolerance; but I have indisputable evidence that sermons of mine were taken practically verbatim, and I have no doubt that sermons published by others are treated in the same way. You may call this what you may-stealing, or by not so harsh a term-but whatever it is, there is a temptation to preach other men's sermons which some men seem unable to resist. I realize that there are times when over worked ministers may be unable to prepare a discourse such as they would like to deat discourse such as they would like to de-liver, and in such an emergency they are justified in preaching another's sermon, but— and remember this qualifying clause is im-portant—they should give the source of their words and their inspiration. On one occa-sion Dean Stanley made use of a portion of ne of my sermons in an address to children in Westminster Abbey. He referred to where it came from, however, and in the printed report proper credit was given to me. That and I think that if Dean Stanley was willing to quote from another, the clergymen of New York should not be ashamed to do so.

Another method by which preaching is made easy is by the use of ready-made sermons. It is a common practice in England for ministers to have their sermons written by others, but in America sermon-writing is as yet an infant industry. Nevertheless it is done right here in New York, and I have received circulars from parties offering to write sermons for a compensation. I do not know of any ministers who use such sermons, but some of them must do so, or otherwise it would not pay to get out the circulars. I was well acquanted with Rev. Dr. George Putnam, whose sermon was preached on Easter morning by Dr. Morgan. Dr. Putnam was regarded as one of the greatest of Unitarians. I don't think Dr. Morgan treated Unitarians quite fairly. He should at least have admitted that some good can come out of the mouth of a Unitarian. If the sermon of a Unitarian is fit to be preached from an Episcopal pulpit the minister who uses it should acknowledge that fact. To tell the truth, I believe that a majority of the Episcopalians do not see so much wrong in our doctrine as they pretend, and this is shown by the action of Dr.

Morgan. What I don't like about Dr. Mor



Rev. T. J. Lee. This minister declares he discovered that the Rev. Dr. D. Parker Morgan, of the Church of the Heavenly Rest, had cribbed a sermon of the late Dr. Putnam. Dr. Lee exposed the alleged plagiarism, and the fact created a sensation among both clergy and laity

gan's repetition of Dr. Putnam's sermon is his referring to him as being "a quaint, old writer." My friend, Dr. Putnam, was not quaint, but was thoroughly alive during his pasterate to all the affairs of the day. He would appreciate having his discourse delivered from an Episcopal pulpit in New York, but I think he would hardly like being called quaint. There is no use discussing Dr. Morgan, however, for he admits what he has done and his covalenter when the he has done, and his explanation makes the

REV. DR. THEODORE C. WILLIAMS, paster of All Souls' Unitarian Church; Dr. Putnam was my old friend and paster. He had an acute sense of humor, and he would no doubt enjoy the situation if he were on earth how. I was, of course, surprised to hear that a Unitarian's sermon was preached from an Episcopal pulpit, but I cannot say that as a Unitarian I object to it. What I do object to is the reflection on the pulpit by the action of Dr. Morgan. He was not able to resist a temptation which we all meet twice a week, and in justice to those who do resist the temptation I think something should be done. Bishop Potter or some other authority should now define what plagarism is and what the punishment for the offence should be. That is a simple matter of justice to others in the ministry.

Those who favor letting Dr. Morgan go REV. R. F. ALSOP, ST. ANN'S P. E. Church, Bro oklyn: Dr. Morgan has gree been a favorite a imang us, and has officiated at my church a s well as those of other fellowmy charen a swell as those of other fellow-ministers. Personally, I am unwilling ao prejudge the case of Dr. Morgan, just as I would of any other brother in the ministry. I know absolutely nothing except what I have seen in the newspapers. I can only say that, putting the case abstractly, it seems to me that for any minister to preach a sermon as also own which was not his own would be, in my judgment entirely inservisable. The in my judgment entirely inexcusable. The ethics of our cht urch require that no thought, no word borrowed from another, much less an entire sermon, should be used as original. I cannot cite at my particular canon which may be applicable in the present instance.

Morgan is placed. The clergy of his own church should speed, first, then perhaps, I may speak, but no now. No. I will not speak even on the e thical phase of his position. It is too grave a subject for quick criticism or harsh expression. REV. CHARLES H, PARKHURST, OF

the Madison Square Presbyterian Church: While I do not atternpt to exculpate Dr. While I do not atternpt to exculpate Dr. Morgan for the wrong he committed, I think it would be wise to be ke into consideration the circumstances of the case. Dr. Morgan's duties are very exacting, and he is a man who gives himself to his people. He had come to the end of Lenh, and he was worn out with the work which had devolved upon him as a minister, and especially as an Episcopal clergyman. He had evidently reached that point where his productive energies failed to work. I myself have reached that point where I might as well have no mind as to attempt to make it work in the desired direction. Very often I have had a sermon almost completed and have reached the point where I could go be further. I can sermon almost completed and have reached the point where I could go no further. I can readily conceive how Br. Morgan's mind had reached that point, and therefore, as the only resource, he saw an opportunity to do something which he would not have done under other circumstances, and le fell into the wrong. The truth is always common property, but the phrasing of it is private property. Still, I think I would rather be in Dr. Morgan's place than Dr. Lova. The Intthe a letter sounds harsh and infecting, as though he had said: "Here is a lab, and I am going to do it. I am preaching tere in Newark. I would like to preach in the metropoolis, and I am going to show how the ministers in the metropolis get their aerumons." If the Lord were not more mercent. If the Lord were not more mentral to us than we are to others we would stind a poor show at the last day.

REV. WILLIAM R. HUNTINGTON, OVERCOATS Rector of Grace Church: The occasion is proper one for plain speaking with r the othics of preaching in general, and I have no hesitation in saying that it will, in my judgment, be a sad day for the American pul pit if the practice of borrowing sarmons without acknowledgment should ever come to

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of the English, and the lead ought to be

REV. PHOEBE A. HANAFORD: I AM surprised that Dr. Morgan should have taken a Unitarian minister's sermon. He should have known that the pew, as well as the pulpit rends nowadays, and that his plagiar-ism was bound to be detected. If he had simply prefaced the sermon with the explanation that he had become worn out with his work and had been unable to prepare a sermon, but that he had adapted the words of another for his use, he would have saved bimself from criticism. He certainly did wrong in this case. I have heard Dr. Mor-gan and regard him as a forcible speaker. I am very sorry for him, for I believe he is doing a great work in the ministry. But he should have told his people that he had been compelled to prepare his sermon with the aid

Mayor Strong Approves Two Bills, One for

the Issuance of \$6,000,000 Worth of Bonds.

the water-front from Bethune street to she repented and saught an asylum at the Gausevoort street, has been numroved by home of her brother, at Door Park I, I

worth of bonds to build new docks and bulkheads at and near the foot of West Eleventh street.

Comptroller Fitch spoke against this bill. "This city cannot afford the expense," he said. "The burden will fall upon the poor people."

President O'Brien, of the Dock Department, jumped up, and said as he faced Comptroller Fitch:

"How will the taxpayers have to pay for these improvements?"

A reconciliation was finally offseted.

i the issuance, so did Darwin R. of the Board of Trade and Trans-The Mayor said he would approve the

Better Organization.

It looked doubtful yesterday whether a my home, I rushed home as hard as I the up was even contemplated in this city by the Amalgamated Association of Street Rallway Men. From talks with the em-ployes, it was evident, however, that had the strike order been given it would have been obeyed by a large number of the em-ployes. Even unorganized men were will-

Hiness of Superintendent Blake. Outdoor Relief Department of the Charities, has been absent from his office for several days through illness brought on by overwork. He is now at Amityville, L. I.

She Once Left Her Husband, but Returned-Miles Was Formerly an Hostler.

in trouble again. This time he is charged says he can prove an allbi.

Kingsland know positively is that the home of Harry Stagg, who is a brother of the "Now as to Tuesday last.

been there ever since. His is an Englishman born, and in his native country, was hostler. On arriving in this country he met the woman who is now his wife. She happen. had nearly \$100,000 dollars in her own "I am right, and, recognizing the talents which the young Englishman possessed, she sent him to college and afterward saw him ordained. Their marriage followed, and, then under the direction of the Rev. Dr. Buckley, he took charge of the two churches

HIS FORMER TROUBLES.

Two years ago be first attained notrolety, when a young girl, a member of his congregation, who still lives at Lyndhurst was charged with having attempted suicide by polson, because her name had been nent looking trap.

Several months ago he again attained prominence on account of the vigorous warfare which he waged against the green-goods men, who had made Rutherford, BETTER DOCKS ASSURED. Lyndham and surrounding points their hendquarters.

The woman in the present case has also attained notoriety. Two years or so ago when she was living with her husband at Lyndhurst, she ran away with young Har The legislative bill authorizing the expenditure of money for the improvement of house of Brown & Co., of this city. The

Yesterday Mayor Strong gave a hearing as now, a remarkably pretty woman. He on the bill for the issuance of \$6,000,000 threatened to kill her and then commit worth of bonds to build new docks and suicide if she did not consent to live with

Improvements?"

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Three months ago the finger of suspicion was again pointed toward Mrs. Stagg by the justice of the place. It was openly stated that, among other men, the Rev.

house during her husband's absence This sort of talk soon reached Stagg's ears, and all of last week and this week he NO SIGN OF A CABLE STRIKE. had a regular detective on the scene

"I was working on Tuesday last in the Apparent intention of the Leaders to Await shop," he said yesterday, "when I got word from my detective that Mr. Miles was at

For the library,---

ployes. Even unorganized men were willling to go out if a strike was called, but
it is now believed that no aggressive action
will be taken until the organization is made
as complete as possible.

A committee of three representing the
employes of the Eighth avenue, West
Broadway and Macomb's Dam Bridge line
of the Metropolitan Street Railway Company's system called on President Vreeland
of the company, yesterday, and presented
him with a copy of resolutions passed at a
meeting on the previous evening professing
loyalty to the company.

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could, and there learned that Minister Miles WILL BE A FAMOUS SALE. had been in my house with my wife. I was informed by a next-door neighbor that by the Berlin Millionaire Schoenout by the back way. I upbraided my wife and then drove over to the public school

Harry Stagg Says the Pastor Has

This the Accused Strenuously Denies,

any wrongdoing."
SAYS HE IS INNOCENT.

MRS, STAGG'S CHECKERED CAREER. One Who Loved Her Killed Himself, and

The Rev. R. H. P. Miles, minister of the Presbyterian Church at Lyndhurst, N. J., and of the Presbyterian Chapel at the village of the vil

"It is true that I have called occasionally ! with paying visits to the wife of an exmember of his church, when her husband every member of our church. I did go to was away. He protests his innocence and see her on Monday last—not Tuesday—but 0. did not stay more than fifteen minutes. e All that the people of Lyndhurst and Then I left by the back way, because it was th

"Now as to Tuesday last. I was not at public prosecutor of Hackensack, has been the Staggs house in the forenoon or after. Runnway Accident in the Park, broken up. Stagg has left his wife and noon. They say I was there from 11 to 3. A team of horses attached to a close taken the three children from her. They taken the three children from her. They know further that he has placed his case in the hands of Lawyer and Senator Johnson, of Hackensack, with instructions to begin suit for divorce.

Minister Miles first appeared at Lyndhurst four and a half years ago, and he has been there ever since. His is an Englishboen there are lawyer was mines. home I found that Mrs. Staggs had been over there crying and asking me to go over. I did, all unconscious of what was going to -

> Since Tuesday night the Rev. Mr. Miles, as well as friends of the couple, have been as well as friends of the couple, have been trying to arrange matters. The husband said he would drop divorce proceedings if his wife would consent to a legal separation. Journal Office.
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> 25. Journal Office. his wife would consent to a legal separation.
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> She said she would if she was given custody
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> Today at 2 o'clock; if rainy, to-morrow at select. of the youngest child. This he refused, and now the suit will be brought.

Spiders and Colonels Mix Dates. Cleveland, O., April 9.—The Cleveland Baseball Club has sprung a surprise on their Eastern brethren. All the games scheduled at Louisville have been transconnected with his by the gossips of the place. The young minister's wife was a partial invalid. He had a fast horse and neat looking tran.

iank, to Re Auctioned.

The announcement a few days ago that the collection of old masterpieces, belonging to the Berlin millionaire, Alexis Schoeniank, was soon to be said at auction, produced a decided sensation in New York art circles. The circumstances which led where my three children were and took them away.

"In the meantime, as I understand it, my in the meantime, as I understand it, my aniant were and aniant with the meantime. The announcement a few days ago that the collection of old masterpleces, belonging to the Berlin millionaire. Alexis School aniant were and aniant with the collection of old masterpleces, belonging to the Berlin millionaire. wife went over for Mr. Miles, and while I was soon to be sold at auction, was there he came in. I told him he could produced a decided sensation in New York take her, for I was through with her for ever.

Realistic with the sale were a mystery to every one Additional let.

Realistic with Webble B Rings, 3 Sings, 3 Sings, 3 Sings, 3 Sings, 3 Sings, 2 Menageries, 24 Ed. one. Additional information was received one and the Champion Riber vesterday to the effect that the Rem-Mrs. Stagg said yesterday:
"I cannot say anything, now. I am dazed by the blow; but I am innocent of brandt, Rubens, Van Dyke and Tizisu musterpieces are all to go under the hammer. A communication received yesterday by

SAYS HE IS INNOCENT.

The Rev. Mr. Mills, when seen yesterday, said:

"I am about to leave this place, and this story may ruin my chances of securing a charge in Jersey City, where I have preached recently. It is not true. I am innocent of this charge."

Minister Miles told of his crusade against the greeu goods gang and the saloons.

"In consequence of this," he said, "I have made many enemies. If any man was seen leaving Stagg's house by the back door on Tuesday, I certainly was not the individual."

"It is true that I have as leave the salongs to the collection. The said is the sensational rumors coercing the financial condition of the Sets at rest all the sensational rumors coercing the financial condition of the Sets at rest all the sensational rumors coercing the financial condition of the Sets at rest all the sensational rumors coercing the financial condition of the Sets at rest all the sensational rumors coercing the financial condition of the Sets at rest all the sensational rumors coercing the financial condition of the Sets at rest all the sensational rumors coercing the financial condition of the Schoenlang than he salours.

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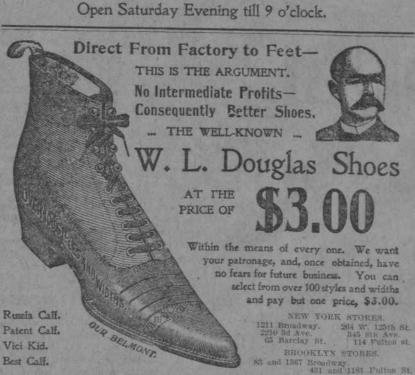
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